

- Created on December 8, 2003 by Executive Directive 2003-23 and led by the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.
- Purpose of MiTAPS: To develop an online, one-stop shop for businesses seeking permits from state agencies, which reduces processing time and creates a functional, rather than process-based approach.
- Once fully operational, businesses will be able to apply, and pay for, permits online. Other features of the MiTAPS portal will include:
 - ✓ a decision tree to help determine what permits are necessary for what projects;
 - ✓ a shopping cart of all permits needed for a project from any department in the state of Michigan;
 - ✓ the ability to monitor status of application or permit
 - ✓ a function to manage master permit/license application packages for complex business projects involving multiple state agencies;
 - ✓ the capability to capture data once, with the ability to route data to multiple departments and agencies to avoid the re-entry of data and the use of duplicative forms:
 - ✓ a search function to access application and permit information by name, business type, or department; and
 - ✓ links to local permitting and licensing information for local communities.
- Michigan will be the first state to implement a streamlined, web-based permitting process.

• A savings of 61 percent or 283 days!

Inaugural project is focusing on the applications and permits for a manufacturing facility, addressing the licenses related to initial construction, certificate of occupancy, and operations. After systematically mapping the process of permitting and licensing – documenting the flow of process applications by noting what comes first, overall timing and approval cycle, dependencies between permits, and approvals or review not directly governed by a permit – processing time for permits is 465 days. However, by applying MiTAPS the same process is reduced to 183 days.

• Initially, MiTAPS will automate 31 different permits and licenses with a combined processing volume of 220,000 per year. During the first phase of MITAPS, more than 125 different permits and license were identified.

"Improving the state of Michigan's permitting and licensing process for individuals and entities doing business in Michigan will help make this state a better place to do business, encourage the retention of existing jobs, and help foster the creation of new jobs for Michigan workers." -Governor Granholm, Executive Directive 2003-23